

# Preparation of Animals Traveling Internationally

**Step 1:** (Client and Accredited Veterinarian) Read all steps before beginning.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

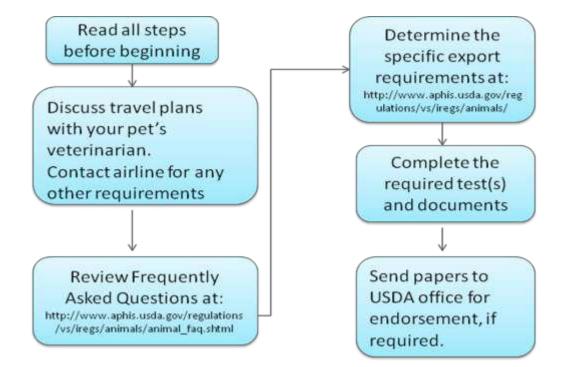
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#### Step 2: (Client)

- Contact your personal Veterinarian to discuss your travel plans.
   Only Veterinarians who are Licensed in their State <u>and</u> Accredited with the USDA are authorized to sign Health Certificates for international travel.
- Contact the airline for any requirements specific to that airline.
   These requirements may include an additional examination (within a specified period of time) by a licensed veterinarian.
   Airline specific requirements may not require USDA endorsement.

Step 3: (Client and Accredited Veterinarian)

**Review Frequently Asked Questions** found at the following website: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal\_faq.shtml link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal\_faq.shtml

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**Step 4:** (Client and Accredited Veterinarian)

Determine the specific animal export requirements for your destination.

#### Requirements for destination countries:

Enter the following URL into your web browser:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/

(link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/)

Scroll to the bottom of the web page and click on the first letter of the destination country (example: G for Germany).

In most instances, the animal health and documentation requirements for the destination country will be listed.

If the destination is not listed, contact the consulate or Ministry of Agriculture for the country requirements.

http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/164400.pdf

**Step 5:** (Accredited Veterinarian)

Complete the required documents, procedures and certifications.

Documents, procedures and certifications must be completed by a **licensed USDA Accredited Veterinarian** (refer to Step 3).

The timing and order of the health requirements is very important for animal movement to some countries. It is very important that the dates associated with a procedure comply with the country requirements. For example, many countries require the implantation of an identification chip prior to rabies vaccination (i.e. Japan, European Union).

Ensure that the country specific requirements are met and documented, to include:

- Animal Identification
- Vaccinations
- ° Tests
- <sup>o</sup> Treatments
- Pre-shipment examination
- All signatures must be completed in blue ink

**Step 6:** (Client/Accredited Veterinarian)

If USDA endorsement of the documents is required, refer to Administrative Notes on page 3.

#### **Administrative Notes:**

\*\*\*Our office has moved. \*\*\*Please make a note of the new address\*\*\*

USDA APHIS VS WA/AK/HI Area Office ATTN: Export 1550 Irving Street SW, STE 100 Tumwater, WA 98512

Office hours, contact information and directions are located at this website:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\_health/area\_offices/states/washington\_info.html link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\_health/area\_offices/states/washington\_info.html

**Endorsement fees** increase with the start of each fiscal year (October 1). Please note the fees on the attached document titled "FY 2011 VETERINARY SERVICES USER FEE SCHEDULE" (page 5).

#### **Endorsement delivery and payment requirements:**

Documents may be delivered to the office address:

by a delivery service (USPS, UPS, Fed EX, etc.), or in person (by appointment only)

If you **send** the documents to this office for endorsement (preferred):

1. Endorsement fees are payable by check, money order or credit card. We are unable to accept cash.

If you choose to pay by check, you must include the SSN or Tax ID in the packet (not written anywhere on the check itself) (per Debt reduction Act of 1996).

Please make checks out to "USDA".

If you choose to pay by credit card, you must include the name as it appears on the card, type of card (VISA/MC/AMEX/DISCOVER), 16 digit card number, expiration date, security code from the back, correct billing address and a contact phone number.

2. You should include a self-addressed, prepaid return envelope with the documents, so we can return them to the correct address. If no return envelope is included, we will return them by regular mail.

If you **bring** the documents to this office for endorsement:

- 1. An appointment is REQUIRED. Appointments are scheduled M-F, between 8:30 and 11 AM. You should call 2-3 weeks ahead for appointments as the schedule fills quickly. The number to call is **(360) 753-9430**.
- 2. Payment requirements noted above remain the same.
- 3. Do NOT bring your pet to this office. We are tenants of this building and cannot accommodate pets. Service animals are welcome.

#### **Endorsement processing:**

The endorsement process takes 1-2 days upon receipt of **correct, complete** paperwork. **This office cannot correct inaccurate data, or complete omitted information.** 

Return travel time must also be taken into account.

Please retain all tracking numbers if using a priority delivery service.

#### USDA VETERINARY SERVICES EXPORT INFORMATION FOR VETS

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

CONSIGNEE: Individual receiving the animal (foreign address)
CONSIGNOR: Individual shipping or sending the animal (US address)
EXPORTER: Individual shipping or sending the animal (US address)

COUNTRY OF DISPATCH OF ANIMAL is always: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### **FORMS:**

#### **APHIS FORM 7001** (INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE (H/C))

- -Used as International Health Certificate for countries that do not provide a Health Certificate.
- -Endorsed by USDA (if required) for international shipment
- -Valid for 30 days as an International Health Certificate, unless country specifies a shorter timeline.
- -To also use the APHIS 7001 as an Airline Health Certificate, it must be issued within 10 days or less of travel. Contact your airline for specific guidelines.
- -Download, fill and print a current APHIS 7001 Form at this website: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/library/forms/pdf/APHIS7001.pdf
- -USDA issues the certificate number for the Health Certificate. Please leave this area on the certificate blank.

WA STATE AGR-300 3008 FORM (Official WA State Small Animal Health Certificate) (1/2 PAGE)

- -Obtained from State of Washington Department of Agriculture
- -This Health Certificate does not require USDA endorsement (Except for JAPAN)
- -Most commonly used for State-to-State movement,
- -Also can be used for Airline Health Certificate (preferred)

ALL FORMS ALREADY ASSIGNED A CERTIFICATE NUMBER ARE CONSIDERED CONTROLLED FORMS. WE PROVIDE THESE FORMS, BUT ONLY TO ACCREDITED VETERINARIANS. WE CANNOT PROVIDE THEM TO THE CLIENTS OR INDIVIDUAL TRAVELERS.

#### **COMPLETION OF HEALTH CERTIFICATES:**

#### **USE BLUE INK FOR SIGNATURES ON ALL FORMS**

REMEMBER TO PRINT NAME AND SIGN ALL FORMS INCLUDING RABIES CERT Check with international transit points to determine whether additional Veterinary Certificates are required for each specific point.

Identify the animal by microchip and annotate it on all documents

You are the "Authorized Veterinarian" (large block on the European Union Certificate) USDA is the "Official Veterinarian", "Federal Veterinarian" or "Competent Authority" (2 line block on European Union Veterinary Certificates)

## USER FEE SCHEDULE

User fees are authorized by section 2509(c)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, as amended (21 U.S.C., 136a). This fee increase structure has been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform.

Effective October 1, 2011 the user fees are as follows. Listed below are the endorsement fees for this fiscal year.

CERTIFICATE	<u>FEE as of</u> <u>10/01/2011</u>
HORSES TO CANADA (APHIS Form 17-145)	\$60.00
Each horse certificate	2
HORSES TO CANADA (APHIS Form 17-140/17-140A)	\$60.00
→ Each add'l horse (same cert same owner - same destination)	\$7.00
<b>PETS</b> (Dogs, cats, etc) with no tests	\$38.00
<b>RUMINANTS</b> with <b>0 tests</b> per certificate	\$52.00
(ie, sheep to Canada)	
ANIMALS with 1-2 tests	\$121.00
→(Each add'l animal)	\$7.00
ANIMALS with 3-6 tests	\$150.00
→(Each add'l animal)	\$12.00
ANIMALS with 7+ tests	\$173.00
→ (Each add'l animal)	\$14.00
<b>POULTRY</b> (& Hatching Eggs)	\$48.00
SLAUGHTER ANIMALS (to	\$56.00
Canada or Mexico)	
EMBRYOS (up to 5 donor pairs)	\$132.00
(Each add'l group of 5 donor pairs)	\$59.00
SEMEN	\$81.00
BY-PRODUCTS	\$51.00



We welcome you to view the User Fee schedule at the following link: <a href="http://www.aphis.usda.gov/mrpbs/fmd/vs">http://www.aphis.usda.gov/mrpbs/fmd/vs</a> import export fees.shtml#13020



User Fees are payable by the following methods:
major credit/debit card, money order, personal check with SSN or Tax ID,
or
active APHIS-VS account.

### **EXAMPLE**

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL EXPORT (IF NEEDED)				NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF ISSUING VETERINARIAN LICENSE NUMBER AND STATE								
USDA COMPLETES THIS SECTION				YOUR VETERINARIAN FIRST AND LAST NAME MUST APPEAR HERE WITH THE CLINIC NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER WITH STATE LICENSE NUMBER, STATE AND NATIONAL ACCREDITATION NUMBER IN THE BOXES TO Accredited Yes No								
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